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Der Reichsminister
für die besetzten Ostgebiete

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Berlin W 35, den 18. Dezember 1941
Rauchstraße 17/18
Fernsprecher: 21 95 15 und 39 50 46
Drahtanschrift: Reichsministerost

Nr. I/1/157/41 geh. Reichssache

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Geheime Reichssache

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1.) An den
Herrn Reichskommissar für das Ostland
R i g a / Leitort Tilsit
Adolf Hitler Strasse

Betrifft: Judenfrage
Auf das Schreiben vom 15.11.1941

In der Judenfrage dürfte inzwischen durch mündliche Besprechungen Klarheit geschaffen sein. Wirtschaftliche Belange sollen bei der Regelung des Problems grundsätzlich unberücksichtigt bleiben. Im übrigen wird gebeten, auftauchende Fragen unmittelbar mit dem höheren SS - und Polizeiführer zu regeln.

Im Auftrag

Bräutigam

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State of New York)
County of New York) ss

Max Weinreich, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that he resides at 119 Payson Avenue, New York City, New York, that he is presently the Research Director of the Yiddish Scientific Institute - Yivo, 535 West 123rd Street, New York City, New York, and has acted in that capacity for twenty-one years, that the Yiddish Scientific Institute - Yivo is an institution for research and training in the Jewish social studies, that in his capacity he acts as supervisor in research by staff members and outside contributors and that he is in charge of the collections of the library and the archives which include a large number of original Nazi documents.

The affiant states that the attached documents, marked Attachment A, Attachment B1, B2, and B3, and Attachment C, are original documents held by the Yiddish Scientific Institute - Yivo. The affiant states that the authenticity of the documents is known to him because of the similarity to other documents held from the same source and by the same writers, that he is acquainted with the handwriting and the signatures and the circumstances under which they were obtained.

Attachment A (face) is described as a letter to the Reichskommissar Ostland, dated 31st of October, 1941, and signed Leibbrandt, written on the letterhead stationery of Der Reichsminister für die besetzten Ostgebiete, serial number I/2591/41.

Attachment A (back) is the reply to Attachment A (face), written in the handwriting of Trampedach and initialed Lohse, Reichskommissar, dated Riga, 15th of November, 1941.

Attachment B1 (face), dated Riga, November, 1941, is a personal memorandum written in the handwriting of Trampedach for his personal files and explaining the reason for the subsequent orders of Attachment B1 (back), B2, and B3.

Attachment B1 (back) is the original draft of the order to the Reichskommissar für das Ostland, the Höherer SS and Polizeiführer in Riga, and the Commissars General in Reval, Riga, Kauen, and Minsk.

Attachment B2 is the typed draft of Attachment B1 (back) on letterhead stationery of Der Reichskommissar für das Ostland and carrying the

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serial number Abt. II a Tgb. Nr. 220/41 g., dated Riga, December, 1941.

Attachment B3 is the final draft of the original order shown in Attachment B1 (back), dated 3rd of December, 1941, and initialed by Trampedach. This attachment carries the same serial number as Attachment B2.

Attachment C is a letter signed Bräutigam to the Reichskommissar für das Ostland, classified "Top Secret" (Geheime Reichssache) and is written on letterhead stationery of Der Reichsminister für die besetzten Ostgebiete, dated Berlin, 18th of December, 1941, with the serial number I/1/157/41 geh. Reichssache.

The affiant states that the attached documents in addition to about seventy others were found in the Rosenberg building (former Russian Embassy), Unter den Linden, near Brandenburger Tor, in September, 1945. These documents were obtained by Sergeant Szajko Frydman of the 82nd Airborne Division, a former staff member of the Yiddish Scientific Institute - Yivo, presently employed at the Institute. These documents were found in one of the upper floors of this building.

These documents were forwarded to the Yiddish Scientific Institute - Yivo and have been in their custody and under the supervision of the affiant from that time until the present.

Max Weinreich

Max Weinreich

Sworn and subscribed before me this sixth day of March, 1946.

Raphael Hagler

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